

- Could DRS define ideal and acceptable project schedule and the contractor's participation in terms of:
  - Would DRS prefer Full-Time or Part-Time support? **No preference as long as the work gets done within 4 months.**
  - Does have a desired project completed date? **We would like to wrap up work by February 1, 2001**
  - Does DRS have an estimate of how many contractor hours the project will required? **Not for publication.**
  - Could DRS provide information on how many hours or the level of which DRS staff will participate (i.e., 2 novice VB Developers and 3 novice SQL DBA on a ½ time basis)? **DRS staff will be available to the contractor as much as needed to ensure knowledge transfer and minimize the effect of mentoring on progress. Mentoring will be high on the list of priorities.**
  - Will staff mentoring/technology transfer only pertain to accomplishing project tasks, or will the scope of this task be broader? **Mentoring will pertain only to accomplishment of project tasks but will not include work assignments for DRS staff. It will be in the form of showing them what is being done, explaining how and why, and answering questions.**
  - How much of the vendors time in terms of hours or percentage will be devoted to mentoring vs. detail work? **That depends upon the vendor and their methods. A rough guess would be that mentoring will add about 20% in terms of time to the effort.**
- Could DRS elaborate on the methodology and project scope in terms of:
  - Will the data need to be normalized? **Yes, at least First Normal Form and preferably Third Normal Form. Unless they have a better idea, creative use of constraints or triggers or "?" to accomplish the same level of restricted data duplications.**
  - Will the data need to be cleansed? **Some clean up may be needed. There are some duplicates and conflicting entries.**
  - Will any new data need to be entered into the database or does all data currently exist in the excel spread sheets? **All of the data to be converted will be in the Excel spreadsheets or existing database tables. Interfaces for data entry (Adds, Deletes, Updates) will be needed but the actual data entry will not.**
  - Will business rules need to be defined and supported? **Yes, business rules will need to be defined and supported.**
  - Will constraints and triggers need to be identified and defined? **Yes**
  - What documentation deliverables will need to be developed (ER Diagram, etc.)? **ER Diagrams, Class Diagrams, Object model, Windows Navigation Chart, Help Screens for User interface, Business Rules, Technical Support Document.**
  - Have any tools been identified for the ER diagramming, or Load Transformation Process (LTP)/data migration? **We currently have and use Visio, but we would be open to other suggestions.**
  - Will Graphical User Interfaces (GUIs)/front-ends need to be developed to manage (create, update, review or delete) the data in the SQL database? **Yes.**

- Will interfaces from other system's need to be developed/modified? ***Yes, table links & triggers to other SQL databses.***
- Could DRS provide volume statistics in terms of total number of fields, and record counts, etc.?  
***Number of fields will be determined during the design phase. The following are record counts.***  
  
***173 Different Hardware and Software Components.***  
***308 Different Users***  
***377 Different Workstations (locations)***  
***64 Work Units***  
***18,280 Total Inventory Items***